

Kentucky Agricultural Development Board

Minutes of the September Board Meeting

The regular meeting of the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board was held on **Friday, September 16, 2005** at **10:00 AM EDT**, at the Franklin County Cooperative Extension Office. Michael Judge, presiding, called the meeting to order, and the Secretary called the roll.

Members Present

Donna Amburgey; H. H. Barlow; Vickie Yates Brown; Daniel Case; John Cleaver; Rodney Dick; Commissioner Richie Farmer (Michael Judge, designee); Dennis Griffin; Wayne Hunt; Sam Lawson; Jim Mahan; Sam Moore; Dean M. Scott Smith (Jimmy Henning, designee); Secretary Gene Strong (Don Goodin, designee)

Members Absent

Governor Ernie Fletcher

Others Present

Staff - Catherine Ball; Angela Blank; Brian Furnish; Sandy Gardner; Tim Hughes; Kara Keeton; Maggie May; Bill McCloskey; Joel Neaveill; Keith Rogers; Nick Whobrey; Jessica Woolums; Stephen Yates **Guests** – Jim Acres, Kentucky Beef Network (KBN); Sam White, KBN; Dave Maples, Kentucky Cattlemen's Association (KCA); John Stratton, KBN; Sid Brantly, United States Department of Agriculture (USDA); Lowell Atchley, Legislative Research Commission (LRC); Larry Snell, Kentucky Center for Cooperative Development (KCCD); Danny Adams, Wayne County Extension; Heath Hoagland, KCCD; Barry Denny, Wayne County Extension; Brent Lackey, Kentucky Produce and Aquaculture Alliance (KPAA); Berea Ernest, Community Farm Alliance (CFA); Dwayne Ingram, UK Horticulture; Kim Phelps, Connect Kentucky; Sharon Burton, Farmer's Pride; Anna Kindrick, Kentucky Department of Agriculture (KDA); Randy Marcum, Cumberland Farm Products (CFP); Denise Nelson, Chrisman Mill Winery; Andre Brousseau; Dominique Brousseau; Terry Peake; Cindy Peake.

Notification of Media

Mike Judge received verification from Keith L. Rogers, Chief Executive Officer, that the media had received notice regarding the Agricultural Development Board meeting.

Welcome

Mr. Judge stated that Commissioner Farmer sends his regrets for not being able to attend the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Griffin moved that the minutes of the Friday, August 19, 2005 meeting be approved as presented. Mr. Case seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

Executive Director's Report

Mr. Judge yielded the floor to Keith Rogers for the Executive Director's Report.

Mr. Rogers announced that Kara Keeton would be leaving GOAP and would be perusing a job at Alltech.

Mr. Rogers thanked Mr. Hunt for attending the Farm Bill Forum in Louisville, KY and stated 500 people were in attendance.

Mr. Rogers gave an update on the Tobacco Oversight Committee meeting that met last Tuesday. Mr. Rogers explained that they have asked the Board to reconsider the Tobacco issue.

Mr. Rogers yielded the floor to Tim Hughes for a report on the Kentucky Agricultural Finance Cooperation (KAFC).

Mr. Rogers stated that the September KAFC meeting, went very well and the Board accomplished a lot .

Mr. Rogers stated that staff is looking for the best way to bring the ADB a quarterly report on Allied Marketers, so that the Board can evaluate the project.

Mr. Griffin asked if Mr. Raque has worked with getting a marketing plan for the milk vending machines. Mr. Rogers replied no.

Mr. Rogers provided an update on Phase II.

Mr. Hunt asked if the money paid back from the tobacco companies will go back into the Agricultural Development Fund. Mr. Rogers responded yes, but it will have to pay off the bond first.

Mr. Rogers explained the contents of the update folder. (On file with Board Secretary)

Mr. Rogers explained the Horticulture Investments memo, which fulfills the request from Mr. Hunt. (On file with Board Secretary)

Mr. Rogers stated that staff has pended the Horticulture Council's request until the October Board meeting.

Mr. Rogers explained there would be a couple of presentations at the October Board Meeting; one being on the wine industry and the other being on the CoBank study.

Mr. Rogers stated that November 17 and 18 would be the ADB's annual planning meeting at Blue Lick State Park. Mr. Rogers explained that staff would be working on the agenda and if there are strong feelings from the Board on the agenda please let staff know. There will be four Board members chosen to help plan the meeting.

Mr. Rogers announced that the next ADB meeting would be held on October 21, 2005 in the capitol annex.

Mr. Rogers stated that there was an invitation sent out for a check presentation for Siemer Milling Company. It will take place at Siemer Milling Company in Hopkinsville, KY at 11:00 AM CST, Thursday September 22, 2005.

Mr. Lawson stated that he does not feel like the ADB has a focus and feels that in the November planning meeting the Board can redefine what it is going to accomplish and see where it is going. Mr. Lawson would like to have small presentations that are timed and afterwards have all of the ADB sit down and decide which direction the Board needs to go. Mr. Lawson would like to go through the long term plan, guiding principles, and the investment opportunities.

Mr. Rogers called for a five minute recess.

Mr. Judge announced that there would be a press release sent from KDA about helping hurricane victims who were farmers.

Christian County Agri-Business Association

Mr. Judge yielded the floor to Keith Rogers.

Mr. Rogers explained the packet in the update folder on the Tobacco Model Program. (On File with Board Secretary)

Mr. Rogers stated that the Tobacco Settlement Oversight Committee has requested the Board reconsider the Christian County Application A2005-0156 for the proposed tobacco model program. However, in reviewing the KY revised statutes, the Oversight Committee may not have followed the appeals process attained in the statutes.

Mr. Rogers reviewed comments on what Oversight Committee members to say explaining the vote was 7 to 1 with one abstaining.

Mr. Rogers stated that the Governor had not changed his position on this tobacco issue.

Mr. Judge stated that the Commissioner would be abstaining and thought it was a decision the Board should make.

Ms. Brown reviewed the Oversight Committee's letter and statutes and concluded that the Oversight Committee's request did not follow the proper procedures.

The Board debated this issue.

Mr. Cleaver asked if there was anything ever brought back to our Board. Mr. Rogers answered Central KY Angus.

Mr. Griffin moved to deny the Oversight Committee's request to reconsider the Christian County project. Mr. Cleaver seconded the motion. Questions were called for.

Mr. Mahan expressed that he strongly objects to Mr. Griffin's motion. It needs to be reconsidered.

Mr. Hunt requested that Ben Payne, of Christian County, speak on his own experience being a young farmer who is trying to make a living off of tobacco. Mr. Payne addressed the Board.

Mr. Moore stated that he thought it would be a major mistake for the Board not to reconsider.

Mr. Barlow stated that he supported the Governor, but would have to vote for the reconsideration of this project, because the Board has to think of the future Kentucky farmers have. If not here then tobacco will be grown somewhere else.

Mr. Cleaver stated that the infrastructure is already here, but he can not see risking all of the good that has been done through House Bill 611.

Mr. Hunt explained that the ADB will have a system in place and this is a piece of a system that a young man can start farming with.

Mr. Dick explained that he is not anti-tobacco, but thinks this is moving in the wrong direction.

Ms. Brown stated that, when she looks at the long term plan it is for diversifying from tobacco. If the Board wants to change the plan, then the Board needs to do it at the planning meeting. She believes that the Board will kill itself if they do this.

Mr. Case added that this fund is to diversify from tobacco. We will kill the ADF if this project gets passed. We are sending mixed messages.

Ms. Amburgey asked if this issue can come back up in a year. Mr. Rogers responded yes.

Mr. Moore stated that if he thought for one minute that this would jeopardize the ADF funds he would not vote for it, but he does not feel that way.

Ms. Brown suggested that the Tobacco Settlement Oversight Committee should join the Board at the planning meeting.

A roll call vote was called for: Donna Amburgey-yes, H.H. Barlow-no, Vickie Yates Brown-yes, Danny Case-yes, John Cleaver-yes, Rodney Dick-yes, Dennis Griffin-yes, Wayne Hunt-no, Sam Lawson-yes, Jim Mahan-no, Sam Moore-no, Dean Scott Smith (Jimmy Henning, Designee)-no, Secretary Strong (Don Goodin, Designee) yes.

The motion passed with dissent.

Referral of October Projects¹

Mr. Rogers presented projects A2005-0470 through A2005-0508 for referral to the Board. Mr. Moore moved that projects A2005-0470 through A2005-0508 be referred to the Board. Mr. Mahan seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

Approval of Model Programs²

Mr. Judge submitted projects A2005-0457, A2005-0502, A2005-0484, A2005-0478, A2005-0490, A2005-0466, and A2005-0473 as projects meeting the model **Agricultural Diversification Program** guidelines.

Mr. Judge submitted projects A2005-0501, A2005-0477, and A2005-0461 as projects meeting the model **Cattle Genetics Improvement Program** guidelines.

Mr. Judge submitted projects A2005-0454, A2005-0500, A2005-0493, A2005-0481, A2005-0462, and A2005-0467 as projects meeting the model **Cattle Handling Facilities Program** guidelines.

Mr. Judge submitted projects A2005-0475, and A2005-0488 as projects meeting the model **Dairy Diversification Program** guidelines.

Mr. Judge submitted projects A2005-0492, A2005-0494, A2005-0486, and A2005-0482 as projects meeting the model **Farm Livestock Fencing Improvement Program** guidelines.

Mr. Judge submitted projects A2005-0499, A2005-0459, A2005-0489, A2005-0495, A2005-0483, and A2005-0480 as projects meeting the model **Forage Improvement & Utilization Program** guidelines.

Mr. Judge submitted projects A2005-0455, A2005-0508, A2005-0476, A2005-0463, and A2005-0497 as projects meeting the model **Goat Diversification Program** guidelines.

Mr. Judge submitted projects A2005-0471, A2005-0498, A2005-0485, A2005-0479, and A2005-0487 as projects meeting the model **Hay, Straw & Commodity Storage Program** guidelines.

Mr. Judge submitted project A2005-0409 as projects meeting the model **On-farm Water Enhancement Program** guidelines.

Mr. Judge submitted projects A2005-0472 and A2005-0496 as projects meeting the model **Shared-use Equipment Program** guidelines.

Mr. Judge submitted project A2005-0474 as a project meeting the model **Swine Diversification** guidelines.

Mr. Judge submitted project A2005-0388 as a project meeting the model **Technology Program** guidelines.

¹ A detailed list of the referred projects is attached as Appendix A.

² A detailed list of projects funded under each model program category is attached as Appendix B.

Mr. Dick moved the said applications be approved for the named model programs; Mr. Goodin seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

Review of Amendments

Mr. Rogers presented the following amendments for approval.

A2005-0048, Bourbon County Fiscal Court, was approved for \$26,750.00 on February 18, 2005. The applicant requests an additional \$3,000.00 for the Agricultural Diversification Program in Bourbon County. The request received a High priority from the Bourbon County Council. The term of the program shall remain 12 months from the execution date of the original agreement. Approval of this request would bring the program total to \$29,750.00.

A2004-0509, Bracken County Agriculture Advancement Council, Inc. was approved for \$148,000.00 on January 21, 2005. The applicant requests an additional \$99,469.00 for the Hay, Straw, and Commodity Storage Program in Bracken County. The request received a High priority from the Bracken County Council. The term of the program shall remain 18 months from the execution date of the original agreement. Approval of this request would bring the program total to \$247,469.00.

A2005-0144, Carroll County Agriculture Development Fund, Inc. was approved for \$19,000.00 on May 20, 2005. The applicant requests an additional \$15,000.00 for the Cattle Handling Facilities Program in Carroll County. The request received a High priority from the Carroll County Council. The term of the program shall remain 12 months from the execution date of the original agreement. Approval of this request would bring the program total to \$34,000.00.

A2005-0072, Estill County Conservation District was approved for \$26,250.00 on March 18, 2005. The applicant requests an additional \$60,000.00 for the Forage Improvement and Utilization Program in Estill County. The request received a High priority from the Estill County Council. The term of the program shall remain 12 months from the execution date of the original agreement. Approval of this request would bring the program total to \$86,250.00.

A2005-0114, Garrard County Farm Bureau, Inc. was approved for \$69,615 on May 20, 2005. The applicant requests an additional \$23,335.00 for the Cattle Handling Facilities Program in Garrard County. The request received a High priority from the Garrard County Council. The term of the program shall remain 12 months from the execution date of the original agreement. Approval of this request would bring the program total to \$92,950.00.

A2005-0117, Garrard County Farm Bureau, Inc. was approved for \$72,450.00 on May 20, 2005. The applicant requests an additional \$18,375.00 for the Farm Livestock Fencing Program in Garrard County. The request received a High priority from the Garrard County Council. The term of the program shall remain 18 months from the execution date of the original agreement. Approval of this request would bring the program total to \$90,825.00.

A2005-0193, Green County Cattle Cattlemen's Association, Inc. was approved for \$50,000.00 on May 20, 2005. The applicant requests an additional \$35,000.00 for the Cattle Genetics Improvement Program in Green County. The request received a High priority from the Green County Council. The term of the program shall remain 12 months from the execution date of the original agreement. Approval of this request would bring the program total to \$85,000.00.

A2005-0308, Appalachian Alternative Agriculture of Jackson County, was approved for \$5,000.00 on June 17, 2005. The applicant requests an additional \$1,200.00 for the Goat Diversification Program in Jackson County. The request received a High priority from the Jackson County Council. The term of the program shall remain 12 months from the execution date of the original agreement. Approval of this request would bring the program total to \$6,200.00.

A2005-0428, Pulaski County Conservation District/SKAD, was approved for \$75,000.00 on August 19, 2005. The applicant requests that Southeastern Kentucky Agriculture Development Association be approved as the fiscal agent for these programs to administer the programs jointly with the Pulaski County Conservation District.

A2004-0456, Taylor County Cattlemen's Association, Inc. was approved for \$68,000.00 on June 17, 2005. The applicant requests an additional \$20,000.00 for the Hay and Straw Components only in the Hay, Straw, and Commodity Storage Program in Taylor County. The request received a High priority from the Taylor County Council. The term of the program shall remain 18 months from the execution date of the original agreement. Approval of this request would bring the program total to \$88,000.00.

A2005-0310, Taylor County Farm Bureau of Taylor County, KY, was approved for \$40,000.00 on June 17, 2005. The applicant requests an additional \$102,000.00 for the Grain Component only in the Hay, Straw, and Commodity Storage Program in Taylor County. The request received a High priority from the Taylor County Council. The term of the program shall remain 18 months from the execution date of the original agreement. Approval of this request would bring the program total to \$142,000.00.

A2004-0441, Washington County Cattlemen Association, Inc. was approved for \$21,000.00 on November 19, 2004. The applicant requests an additional \$7,200.00 for the youth project in Washington County. The request received a High priority from the Washington County Council. The terms of the original agreement remain the same. Approval of this request would bring the program total to \$28,200.00.

A2004-0521, Wolfe County Conservation District, was approved for \$11,850.00 on December 17, 2004. The applicant requests an additional \$100,000.00 for the Hay, Straw, and Commodity Storage Program in Wolfe County. The request received a High priority from the Wolfe County Council. The term of the program shall remain 18 months from the execution date of the original agreement. Approval of this request would bring the program total to \$111,850.00

Mr. Moore moved that said amendments be approved; Mr. Hunt seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

Recommendations for Funding

Stephen Yates presented **A2005-0300, The Franklin County Fair and Horseshow Association**. The application received a high priority from Franklin County. The Franklin County Fair & Horseshow Association, Inc. is requesting \$37,000 in Franklin County funds for 23% of the cost of Phase II of the construction costs of an open sided marketing facility. The Board has previously approved \$37,000 of county funds in 2004 to assist with the construction costs in Phase I of this project.

The facility shall be built inline with the existing Farm Bureau Pavilion and the Phase I building in the Lakeview Park. The project will provide opportunities for various entities of surrounding communities to collaborate and participate in livestock sales and activities. It will offer an opportunity for adults and youth of the area agricultural community to conduct sales and show livestock in a safely designed show ring.

Mr. Lawson moved that **A2005-0300 be approved for \$37,000 in Franklin County funds**; Mr. Barlow seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

Nick Whobrey presented **A2005-0398, Christian County/Hopkinsville Development Corporation**. The application received a high priority from Christian County. Christian County/Hopkinsville Development Corporation is requesting \$42,500 in Christian County Funds and \$42,500 in state funds for the creation of a permanent Farmers' Market in Christian County. The total request is \$85,000.

The main goals of this project are to provide a permanent structure for Hopkinsville/Christian County Farmers' Market, and to construct a building on an empty lot in the Hopkinsville/Christian County Renaissance Area that will complement the streetscape work currently taking place. This project will provide a viable business setting for farmers to market their products that will in turn attract people to the Downtown area. It will also assist local growers in generating additional income as well as add to the local food economy. Another objective of this project would be to increase the community's awareness of farming and its influence on the community.

Mr. Cleaver moved that **A2005-0398 be approved for \$42,500 in Christian County funds and \$42,500 in state funds**; Ms. Amburgey seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

Nick Whobrey presented **A2005-0415, Carroll County Agriculture Development Fund, Inc.**. The application received a high priority from Carroll County. Carroll County Agriculture Development Fund requests \$7,000 in Carroll County funds to administer a 4-H Livestock Cost-Share Program.

Applicant is requesting funds to administer a 4-H Livestock Cost-Share Program for youth in the county. This program would help the youth to purchase livestock (beef, sheep, goats, poultry, rabbits, etc.) to exhibit for 4-H project work and become the basis for long-term participation in livestock production. This program will help the county provide incentives for their youth to become actively involved in animal

production. The maximum amount that any one youth could receive from this project would be \$500.

Mr. Dick moved that **A2005-0415 be approved for \$7,000 in Carroll County funds**; Ms. Amburgey seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent. Dick/Amburgey

Nick Whobrey presented **A2005-0425, City of Cadiz**. The application received a high priority from Trigg County. The City of Cadiz is requesting \$1,000 in Trigg County funds to help advertise their Farmers' Market. Total request is \$1,000.

Applicant is requesting funds to assist in promoting and advertising the local Farmers' Market. The City of Cadiz plans to advertise on the radio and in the newspaper.

The applicant is projecting that over 50 Trigg County farm families will benefit from these advertisements. Last year over 50 families participated in the local Farmers' Market.

Mr. Moore moved that **A2005-0425 be approved for \$1,000 in Trigg County funds**; Dr. Henning seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

Maggie May presented **A2005-0458, Cumberland Farm Products, Inc.** Cumberland Farm Products is requesting \$95,000 in state funds to offset a portion of the cooperatives' operating losses for 2004.

Cumberland Farm Products (CFP) is the oldest vegetable marketing cooperative in the state of Kentucky. CFP has been in operation since 1969, and in that time has provided a market for hundreds of vegetable producing farm families in Kentucky.

Over its 32 years of operation, CFP built large cash reserves, but in 2002, the coop lost two key members of management staff with 31 and 22 years of experience and since has endured three new General Managers since 2002. Management turnover in the past three years, along with weather and market conditions have depleted the cash reserves.

Good weather and market conditions were imperative for CFP during the 2004 growing and marketing season so the coop could turn itself around for a successful year. Unfortunately, CFP's growers experienced adverse weather conditions which delayed the setting of some crops, slowed the maturity of some crops, damaged crops and prevented growers from spraying and harvesting when needed.

Severe weather conditions, including a hail storm during the first week of June that severely hurt the yield on tomatoes and set the pepper harvest date back behind the market for peppers north of Kentucky. Extreme rain and severe heat in June created disease problems in tomatoes and cabbage. Several acres of cabbage were not harvested due to internal tip burn and late blight, and other diseases cut the tomato season short. Severe weather from Hurricane Ivan dumped several inches of rain on 15 acres of pumpkins right before they were harvested, which led to several disease problems in the pumpkins and caused 7

acres of pumpkins not to be harvested. Additionally, due to wet weather during the growing season, farmers were unable to implement an effective spray program.

Crop yields were very low for the 2004 growing season as a result of these conditions. Cabbage yields were down 48% from 2003. Tomato yields were down 40%, and the five-year average pepper yields were only 60% of the targeted range. Pumpkin yields were down 40% from the previous five-year average. Market conditions were also depressed in 2004 as tomato prices received in 2004 were less than the five-year average and pepper prices were down 15%. Due to these weather and market conditions, CFP had a net loss of \$159,828 in 2004. In order for CFP to operate effectively, it must pay off the balance on its current line of credit, which is approximately \$155,000. CFP is requesting \$95,000 of this balance from the Agricultural Development Board. The coop has enough cash to cover the balance. After paying off the line of credit, CFP will be in a good position to be approved for loan funds.

CFP hired a new General Manager in June who has extensive experience in produce marketing and sales. He has worked closely with the Board to develop a 3-year plan for CFP that encompasses continuing operations as a cooperative while beginning a wholesale operation out of the Russell Springs and Monticello facilities that will provide a year-round revenue source for the organization and reduce its dependence on the seasonal nature of the cooperative operations alone.

CFP currently has 39 grower members. Over the past five years, CFP has averaged 344 acres in production and produced average yields of 3 million pounds of cabbage, 1.8 million pounds of tomatoes.

Ms. May introduced Randy Marcum, General Manager; Max Kinnet, President; Barney Denney, Vice President; Ronnie Sexton, Board Member; and Danny Adams, UK Extension Service.

Mr. Lawson moved that **A2005-0458 be approved for \$95,000 in state funds**; Mr. Moore seconded the motion. Questions were called for.

Ms. May distributed a fiscal report for Cumberland Farm Products to the ADB. (On File with Board Secretary)

Mr. Lawson asked how many active members there was this year. Mr. Marcum responded thirty nine.

Mr. Furnish asked Mr. Marcum to explain his background.

Mr. Dick asked what Mr. Marcum's plan was to open the Russell Springs facility. Mr. Marcum explained that the produce could be packed in Monticello and shipped to Russell Springs.

Mr. Dick asked Joe Wilson to stand and give his thoughts on this issue.

Ms. Amburgey asked out of the 39 members how many of those were dependent on tobacco. Mr. Marcum responded 90%.

Mr. Rogers explained that Mr. Marcum started in May, so he has only been there for three months.

Mr. Cleaver asked how much they will be debt to the ADB. Mr. Marcum responded \$500,000, plus this loan.

Mr. Lawson feels this is a good thing because they are asking for a hand up not a hand out.

Mr. Rogers explained the Board has set a precedent with funding the coops.

Motion carried with no dissent.

Stephen Yates presented **A2005-0460, Kentucky Beef Network, LLC.** The Kentucky Beef Network (KBN) is requesting \$2,465,630 in State funds for a 2 year program to enhance net returns to cattle producers through increased marketing opportunities, data management, and comprehensive farm management systems.

Funds shall be used to continue the efforts of KBN in preparing Kentucky cattlemen (and other livestock owners) to cope with the National Animal Identification System while taking advantage of marketing opportunities with Source Verification through the use of electronic identification and records management. These efforts shall be centered on the KBN internet database.

The KBN Data Management System, while fully functional, shall continue to be enhanced, and serve as the centerpiece of many KBN initiatives. The system provides third party, confidential verification for marketing claims, basic cow/calf production records, and carcass data records. Users of the system can compare their production data to the aggregate of all the animals in the database while maintaining confidentiality. Users also gain the experience of utilizing electronic identification and a system that goes well beyond the current guidelines for the National Animal Identification System. KBN facilitators shall work individually with farmers to collect pertinent data and to interpret the resulting reports.

The funds being requested shall be used to implement several production and marketing programs for producers and to provide educational programs requested by producers at the Kentucky Beef Summit in September 2004. The summit identified Master Cattleman and Beef Quality Assurance as very beneficial programs that need to be continued and enhanced. New programs being proposed include Master Cattlemen Management Clubs, On-farm Demonstrations, Hot Topic Symposiums, and a Master Grazer Program.

The Kentucky Master Cattleman program is an integral component of the comprehensive effort to replace diminishing tobacco revenue by improving or expanding beef-forage operations. This program provides in-depth training in all phases of management for serious beef producers. It is also designed to be a companion program for model programs which are funded through the counties. This program educates producers on how to make maximum use of those funds.

Each participant must cost-share in this program by paying a \$75-\$100 enrollment fee.

On-farm demonstrations have been developed to help illustrate the production and economic advantages of applying proper beef and forage production practices. These demonstrational farms shall provide an opportunity for hands on training in a real world environment while collecting valuable data to document the impact of county model programs.

A more extensive training in forage topics is one of the most common requests from Master Cattleman participants. The Master Cattleman model would be utilized to build an intensive training program that would take producers beyond the information and experiences acquired in existing programs.

Kentucky's Beef Quality Assurance Program (BQA) has been recognized nationally as one of the most successful state programs. Due to the fact that BQA has been adopted as the educational requirement for CPH-45 and county model programs, Kentucky has trained more than 9000 producers, more than any other state in the nation. These producers shall attend an ever-evolving, issue oriented educational program followed by a certification process. By requiring recertification every 3 years producers stay up-to-date on changing issues and expectations being communicated to the industry from the end product.

Mr. Furnish distributed a handout. (On File with Board Secretary)

Mr. Cleaver asked Mr. Acres to explain the identification program.

Mr. Yates introduced Jim Acres and John Stevenson with the Kentucky Beef Network, LLC. Mr. Yates also introduced Dave Maples with the Kentucky Cattlemen's Association.

Mr. Griffin moved that **A2005-0460 be approved for \$2,465,630 in state funds**; Mr. Mahan seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

Stephen Yates presented **A2005-0465, Thoroughbred RC&D Council, Inc.** The application received a high priority from Fayette County. Thoroughbred RC&D Council, Inc. is requesting \$16,000 of Fayette County funds for 50% of the cost of 2 compost turners and a compost spreader for shared use in Fayette County

Applicant is requesting funds for 50% of the cost of purchasing 2 compost turners and a compost spreader. These pieces of shared use equipment would provide Fayette County farmers the opportunity to try composting before purchasing the specialized equipment required. The equipment shall be leased to farmers within the Thoroughbred RC&D's 7 county area.

It is estimated that these pieces of equipment shall benefit a minimum of 10 producers in the 1st year of the program.

Mr. Mahan moved that **A2005-0465 be approved for \$16,000 in Fayette County funds and that the equipment be added to the model Shared-Use Equipment Program**; Mr. Barlow seconded the motion. The motion passed with dissent.

Nick Whobrey presented **A2005-0469, Muhlenberg County Farmers Market Association, Inc.** The application received a high priority from Muhlenberg County. Muhlenberg County Farmers' Market Association is requesting \$54,096 in Muhlenberg County funds to administer an On-Farm Drainage Enhancement Program. Total request is \$54,096. The On-Farm Drainage Enhancement Program will provide cost-share assistance to Muhlenberg County farmers who are installing tile drainage systems on their land. Better drainage will enhance the productivity of their land and allow them to complete work on a more timely basis by having to go around fewer "wet spots."

Applicant anticipates approximately 20 to 25 farmers will benefit from this project in the first year.

Mr. Dick moved that A2005-0469 **be approved for \$54,096 in Muhlenberg County funds**; Ms. Amburgey seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

Mr. Judge introduced Kelly Ludwig, Coordinator of Agri-tourism with the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, to the Board.

Mr. Rogers explained the next projects were Agri-tourism Projects, through the 2005 Agri-tourism Competitive Awards Program.

Stephen Yates presented **A2005-0422, Reed Farm Service, Inc.** Applicant requests \$15,370 in State funds as part of the Competitive Agri-Tourism program. Applicant is requesting funds to assist them in the construction and equipping of a Certified Kitchen. This expansion would give the applicant the ability to reach a larger amount of Kentucky producers as well as increasing the volume of Kentucky products offered at their facility. Applicant will be selling raw Kentucky commodities at their retail country store as well as value added Kentucky products through what is made in the Certified Kitchen.

Fifteen farm families from 8 counties will benefit from this project in the 1st year. In addition the applicant has arranged for the Bourbon County FFA to set up and sell their products which are grown in the Bourbon County High School greenhouse at their country store.

Mr. Moore asked for the scoring system to be explained. Mr. Furnish explained the handout located in the update folder on the scoring system. (On File with Board Secretary)

Mr. Griffin asked if there were any agri-tourism applications not recommended for funding. Mr. Furnish responded no.

Mr. Lawson moved that **A205-0422 be approved for \$15,370 in state funds**; Mr. Dick seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

Stephen Yates presented **A2005-0423, The Bramble Ridge Orchard, LLC.** The applicant requests \$38,310 in State funds as part of the competitive Agri-Tourism Awards

program for infrastructure improvements to expand markets for Kentucky producers. Total request is \$38,310.

Applicant objective is to increase net farm income by stimulating the market for Kentucky agricultural products and exploring new tourism opportunities through the value-added process brought about by building a certified kitchen onto their existing facility

The Bramble Ridge Orchard was established in 2001. Their mission is to provide quality agriculture fruit products, value added products and a memorable experience to everyone who visits the orchard. The applicant's core belief is that agriculture is a way of life. This project represents the 3rd of 3 phases in the applicants transition from a tobacco base farming enterprise to an apple Agri-tourism enterprise. Phase 1 began in 2002 when 2,675 apple trees were planted and a tobacco barn was converted into a useful certified Roadside marketing building; with Barnyard Buddies petting zoo, utilizing animals from Partners for Family Farms and Sustainable Agriculture members and produce from local farms. Phase 2 occurred in 2003 and added a 24' x 30' cold storage building for fruit storage and a new Agri-tourism trailer that seats 50 people, a blacktop drive and parking. Phase 3 which will begin 2005 is slated to add a 16' x 36' foot building as a certified kitchen and all required equipment to meet and exceed building and certification requirements to be able to expand the marketing of Kentucky products.

This project will allow for the preparation of food for retail/wholesale sales. The project will provide the Bramble Ridge Orchard the opportunity to purchase a more diverse product selection from local farming families. These products will be used and/or converted into value added products for retail sale to tourists and to expand the applicant's offerings to the wholesale market as well.

Mr. Lawson moved that **A2005-0422 be approved for \$15,370 in state funds**; Ms. Amburgey seconded the motion. Questions were called for.

Mr. Cleaver asked if ADB funds would pay for the black top parking lot. Mr. Yates replied no.

The motion passed without dissent.

A2005-0426, The Elements Enterprises, LLC. The applicant requests \$49,988 in State funds as part of the Competitive Agri-tourism Awards for infrastructure improvements to expand existing Agri-tourism facilities.

Applicant is a Limited Liability Company centered on the 27-acre Old Crow Inn Farm. The farm includes the Old Crow Inn Historic House (built circa 1780), which houses the Bed & Breakfast; the Old Crow Inn (certified organic farm); The Elements Pottery & Crafts Studio; and the Chateau du Vieux Corbeau (House of Old Crow) Vineyard, Winery & Conference Center. The applicant's objective is to take grapes, berries and apples from Kentucky producers and ferment those farm products into wine. The applicant will then market and sell that product as bottled wine, wine jelly and wine syrup. The secondary goal is to produce and purchase fresh garden vegetables for use in both the Bed and Breakfast as well as in the

Winery and Conference Center kitchen. The applicant has noticed a growing demand for meals from groups who have used the facility as a conference center for social, agricultural, business, or entertainment events. The net result of this trend is a need by the applicant to contract with more Kentucky farmers/producers to fill the needs of these consumers. In 2004 the applicant purchased \$12,000 worth of Kentucky farm products from 6 Kentucky farmers. The applicant's business plan calls for an increase of 50% in wine sales for 2006 and a similar 50% growth in the sale of other value-added commodities that will be sold through the Conference Center kitchen.

Mr. Dick moved that **A2005-0426 be approved for \$49,988 in state funds**; Ms. Amburgey seconded the motion. Questions were called for.

Mr. Moore asked if the ADB had put money into this project before. Mr. Furnish replied no.

Mr. Yates introduced Andre Brousseau, owner.

The motion passed without dissent.

A2005-0434, Sweet Home Spun. Sweet Home Spun is requesting \$50,000 of State funds as part of the Competitive Agri-tourism Awards program. Funds would be for infrastructure improvements to the applicant's farm to create a studio and retail store for the production and sale of high quality handspun, hand knitted items from local wool.

This project will affect fiber producers and fiber artists over the entire Commonwealth of Kentucky. The benefits will be two fold for the Kentucky fiber producers. The applicant will teach producers how to process and craft their own fibers into hand spun, hand knitted or hand woven products for sale and for personal use. Classes offered to non-fiber producers will create a greater market for Kentucky grown fiber. The Six Mile Meetinghouse will provide an outlet for Kentucky producers who raise sheep, alpaca, llama, angora goats, and angora rabbits to market their fiber and hand crafted items.

Mr. Barlow moved that **A2005-0434 be approved for \$50,000 in state funds**; Mr. Lawson seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

A2005-0436, River Valley Agritourism Alliance, Inc. The application received a high priority from Mason County. River Valley Agritourism Alliance requests \$1,000 from Robertson, \$2,000 from Bracken, \$2,000 from Lewis, \$2,000 from Mason, \$2,000 from Nicholas, and \$50,000 in State funds (Agri-Tourism Competitive Grant Program) to promote Agritourism ventures in their region. Total funding request is \$59,000.

Farmers from a six county region including Bracken, Fleming, Lewis, Mason, Nicholas, and Robertson have united to create the River Valley Agritourism Alliance. The River Valley Agritourism Alliance is a non-profit membership organization created to benefit farmers by assisting with the promotion and marketing of agri-tourism operations and related businesses within the region. By combining resources to promote agri-tourism in the region, the additional marketing

efforts will provide farmers a unified way to promote farm enterprises. The alliance has various levels of membership that encourage support from regional businesses that have a vested interest in agri-tourism.

Mr. Lawson moved that **A2005-0436 be approved for \$1,000 in Robertson County, \$2,000 in Bracken County, \$2,000 in Lewis County, \$2,000 in Mason County, \$2,000 in Nicholas County funds and \$50,000 in state funds**; Mr. Hunt seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

A2005-0437, Three Mills Farm, LLC. The application received a high priority from Woodford County. Three Mills Farm is requesting \$50,000 in State funds and \$1000 in Woodford County funds as part of the Competitive Agri-tourism Awards program. Funds shall be used to assist in the construction and equipping of a certified kitchen, on-farm retail facility and a guest pavilion.

The Agri-tourism operation of the applicant shall be broken down into 3 components for the sake of this funding request. First is the value-added facility or certified kitchen. The establishment of the certified kitchen not only enables value to be added to farm products but also provides the means of creating small local events or organizational meetings that include food. The certified kitchen would be available to other growers to process their farm products, which may also be sold through the farm retail store, farm events and eventually to over-night guests. The second component of this application is the on-site facility for retailing of farm produced, local and Kentucky agricultural products. The third component would be the small event/ meeting accommodations facility. This small event facility will be an open-air pavilion used to host weddings, meetings etc.

Mr. Barlow moved that **A2005-0437 be approved for \$1,000 in Woodford County funds and \$50,000 in state funds**; Mr. Mahan seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

A2005-0439, Jackson's Orchard and Nursery, Inc.. Jackson's Orchard & Nursery, Inc. is requesting \$50,000 in State Agricultural Development Funds to modernize and expand kitchen facilities and construct a pavilion activity area.

Jackson's Orchard & Nursery, Inc., established over thirty-five years ago, is a successful Bowling Green Agri-tourism business that serves as a marketing outlet for Kentucky products. Gross sales for 2004 were reported to be over \$500,000. Retail sales include fruit, vegetables, crafts, jams, jellies, honey, popcorn, cider, plants, baskets, seasonings, soup mixes, salad dressing, various types of baking mixes, homemade breads, ice cream, relishes, etc. Jackson's Orchard also offers farm tours, a corn maze, straw castle, hayrides, a petting zoo, pony rides, live music and pick your own apples.

Agricultural Development Funds will be used to purchase equipment, renovate existing facilities and construct a covered pavilion area. The expansion project, estimated to cost \$117,955, is intended to improve efficiency of service to customers, increase concession sales and involve the construction of a pavilion that will provide a multi functional area to accommodate dinner meetings and school groups for outdoor classroom and educational opportunities.

Jackson's Orchard & Nursery, Inc. was approved for \$89,500 in State Agricultural Development Funds at the April 2001 Board meeting to establish a cider processing operation as part of a state wide coordinated effort with Evans Orchard of Scott County. The orchards were funded to establish two state of the art cider production facilities to accommodate Kentucky orchards that have a need to process their apples into cider.

Mr. Moore moved that **A2005-0439 be approved for \$50,000 in state funds**; Mr. Dick seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

A2005-0440, John F. Dance Enterprises, Inc. John F. Dance Enterprises, Inc. is requesting \$37,000 of State funds as part of the competitive Agri-tourism grant program. Funds being requested would be used for infrastructure improvements to the applicants current Agri-tourism facility.

Funds would be used for infrastructure improvements and facility expansion to the applicants existing Agri-tourism facility in Midway, Kentucky. Specifically, expansion plans call for the construction of a smokehouse, catfish cabin, outside dining patio and a boardwalk. The applicant's proposal is viewed as user friendly to existing facilities; inclusive of a 3526 sq ft. tobacco barn equipped with a licensed kitchen, retail display, wine bar, music stage, restrooms and indoor seating for 150 people. The applicant's reception barn is a renovated tobacco barn; housing tobacco 2 years prior to it's opening as an Agri-tourism facility. Tobacco was raised on the property for 50 years until the recent buyout. In fact tobacco buyout funds are being used a match for this application.

Mr. Mahan moved that **A2005-0440 be approved for \$37,000 in state funds**; Dr. Henning seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

A2005-0441, Equus Run Vineyards, LLC. Equus Run Vineyards LLC., is requesting \$50,000 of State funds as part of the competitive grant program. Funds being requested are for 24% of the cost of a tobacco barn renovation project. To-date, the barn structure has undergone some cosmetic improvements with a new floor with gravel, building leveling, electric, sliding door upgrades, repaired air vent doors, and several tier poles replaced. The applicant's application will further support the renovation of the tobacco barn into new additional retail and inventory floor space while maintaining its regional heritage and historic significance. The 6-month project for the barn renovation will make a significant increase in retail floor space from 44 sq ft to approximately 1920 sq ft. This will allow the applicant to accommodate more Kentucky value-added branded products and increase customer throughput from 25 to 240 customers at any given time.

The funds being requested shall be used for capital improvements to achieve increased utilization of a current building structure to accommodate increased volume and sales of Kentucky branded raw materials and value-added products. The uniqueness of this project is that it demonstrates the use of an existing tobacco on-farm structure and transforming it for diversified agri-retail use. With the tobacco transition program occurring, Kentucky's farming heritage will be preserved and showcased with this project as an example of agricultural diversification. The 'product' will be a tourism experience in the Bluegrass Region. The byproducts of the

'experience' will be increased farmers/producers revenues and increased retail sales of Kentucky branded products.

Mr. Lawson moved that **A2005-0441 be approved for \$50,000 in state funds**; Mr. Mahan seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

A2005-0443, Kentucky Roots LLC. Kentucky Roots, LLC is requesting \$24,000 in state funds as a part of the Agritourism Competitive Awards Program.

The applicant is requesting Agricultural Development funds to restore an 1850's log cabin, build a greenhouse, restore a tobacco barn and install a walking trail.

The applicant will create an agri-tourism destination that will utilize the restored log cabin as a retail store for locally grown and farm made products, as well as native flowers, shrubs and seeds. The applicant has received commitments from six farm families to sell their products at the retail store as of the time of application. Items to be sold in the retail store will include: jams, jellies, honey, honey products, cider, Indian corn, goat mild soap, soy candles, native plants, flowers and seeds, pumpkins, broom corn and apple butter.

The greenhouse will be used to grow native plants and wildflowers and for educational purposes for visiting groups. The applicant has studied Kentucky native plants and currently has over 40 native flowering plants. The 45 minute nature trail will also showcase native plants and wildflowers in their natural environment.

The renovated tobacco barn will be converted into a rural education center which will be made available to area school groups and other interested groups to host classes, small gatherings, business seminars, weddings and barn dances.

This agri-tourism destination will provide educational experiences in organic vegetable and herb gardening, native Kentucky plants other farming activities. The applicant has over 12 years experience in retail management and event planning. The applicant has conducted education demonstrations for the past 5 years at a local living history museum, where she presents to over 3,000 school children within three days. She is certified in Wildlife Habitat Management and is a Master Native Habitat Gardener. The applicant plans to provide its own labor at start-up, but to hire two part-time employees by the second year of operation.

Mr. Dick moved that **A2005-0443 be approved for \$24,000 in state funds**; Mr. Griffin seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

A2005-0444, Castle Hill Farm, Inc. Castle Hill Farm, Inc. is requesting \$32,675 of State funds as part of the competitive Agri-tourism grant program. Funds shall be used for the construction and equipping of a certified kitchen.

Castle Hill Farm has been a developing Agri-tourism venue for 7 years. Recently the applicant obtained permission from the Woodford County Board of Adjustment to further develop their farm and install a commercial kitchen, amphitheater, and a

bed and breakfast facility. Agricultural development funds would be used for the construction and equipping of said kitchen. After completion of the certified kitchen, Castle Hill Farm will be able to prepare food for tourist's consumption at the farm or for consumption off of the farm. The applicant has contacted numerous farmers who will supply fresh meats, vegetables and fruits for this project.

Mr. Lawson moved that **A2005-0444 be approved for \$32,675 in state funds**; Mr. Cleaver seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

A2005-0446, Chrisman Mill Vineyards, Inc.. Chrisman Mill Vineyards is requesting \$50,000 of State funds as part of the competitive Agri-tourism grant program. Funds would be used for expansion and upgrading of existing facilities.

Applicant's expansion and upgrade of existing facilities will benefit, promote and support small, family-operated farms from around Kentucky which rely on grape growing as a viable alternative crop to tobacco. The funds would allow the applicant to add on to their existing production area so that they will have room for the additional grapes raised by their new growers. Additionally, these funds would allow the applicant to create a multi-functional space that would be used for continuing education, nonprofit organizations, conferences and symposiums.

Mr. Cleaver moved that **A2005-0446 be approved for \$50,000 in state funds**; Mr. Dick seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

A2005-0447, Christian Way Farm, LLC. Christian Way Farm, LLC is requesting \$18,150 in State funds as a part of the Agritourism Competitive Grant Program. Total request is \$18,150.

Christian Way Farm was opened in 1998 with the primary purpose of developing a farm that would be open to the public for teaching and providing a "farm" experience and to develop a farm business that would be profitable. This has evolved from fall pumpkin patch harvest tours into now providing spring and summer tours that more specifically teach children and adults about the food that is grown for their consumption. As they plan school tours their goals include teaching children about farming as it relates to their current curriculum requirements and providing teachers with supplemental materials for adding to their farm education experience.

Agricultural Development Funds will be used to renovate an existing tobacco barn into a facility to house Agritourism events on their farm. Funds will also be used to purchase a small greenhouse and help Christian Way Farm promote their agri-tourism business.

Mr. Cleaver moved that **A2005-0447 be approved for \$18,150 in state funds**; Mr. Hunt seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

Recommendations for No Funding

Bill McCloskey presented **A2005-0420, Barren River Area Development District**. The Barren River Area Development District requested \$170,000 in Allen County Funds to administer the Farm Livestock Fencing Improvement Program in Barren County. Request is funding to administer state model program for the Farm Livestock Fencing Improvement Program. Mr. Lawson moved that no funds be awarded to A2005-0420 based on the Allen County Agricultural Development Council did not commit any county funds to the request. Mr. Dick seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

Bill McCloskey presented **A2005-0456, Breckinridge County Diversification Council, Inc.** The Breckinridge County Diversification Council Inc. requested \$25,000 in Breckinridge County Funds to administer the Swine Diversification Program in Breckinridge County. Request is funding to administer state model program for the Swine Diversification Program. All swine producers in Breckinridge County would be eligible. Mr. Cleaver moved that no funds be awarded to A2005-0456 based on the Breckinridge County rated this proposal as a low priority and did not commit any county funds to the project. Mr. Mahan seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

Bill McCloskey presented **A2005-0468, R.M. Kepley Auction Company**. The R.M. Kepley Auction Company is requesting \$34,000 in Simpson County Agricultural Development Funds to renovate an existing barn for use as a small animal auction facility for goats, sheep, rabbits, chickens, guineas, peacocks, etc. Simpson County Agricultural Development Funds would be used to renovate an existing barn by making improvements to include a sale ring, office, lobby, concessions, restrooms, holding and sorting pens as well as upgrading the exterior of the barn. The applicant estimated the project has the potential to impact fifty families in eight Kentucky counties. Mr. Dick moved that no funds be awarded to A2005-0468 based on the Simpson Council rated this proposal as a low priority and did not commit any county funds to this project. Mr. Barlow seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

Other Business

Mr. Barlow asked for more specific information on the Horticulture Council.

Mr. Rogers stated that there would be a check presentation in Bardstown, KY for Boone's Abattoir, Inc. at 10:00 AM on September 28.

Closing Remarks

The next meeting of the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board will convene on Friday, October 21, 2005 in the capital annex. The time and location of meeting subject to change; ample notification will be given if such a change occurs.

Mr. Barlow moved to adjourn at 2:30 PM. Mr. Hunt seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

APPROVED: _____

PRESIDING OFFICER: _____

SECRETARY: _____

Model Programs Recommended for Approval

Agricultural Diversification

<u>Application</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Funds Requested</u>
A2005-0457	Breckinridge County Diversification Council Inc.	Breckinridge	\$5,000.00
A2005-0502	Campbell County Farm Bureau	Campbell	\$2,050.00
A2005-0484	Oldham County Farm Bureau Federation	Oldham	\$15,500.00
A2005-0478	Owen County Farm Bureau	Owen	\$37,100.00
A2005-0490	SKAD/Pulaski Co. Horticulture Association, Inc.	Pulaski	\$61,000.00
A2005-0466	Franklin Simpson Chamber of Commerce, Inc.	Simpson	\$50,000.00
A2005-0473	Wolfe County Conservation District	Wolfe	\$40,000.00
			\$210,650.00

Cattle Genetics Improvement

<u>Application</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Funds Requested</u>
A2005-0501	Campbell County Cattle Association	Campbell	\$6,150.00
A2005-0477	Owen County Farm Bureau	Owen	\$37,100.00
A2005-0461	SKAD/Pulaski County Cattlemen's Association	Pulaski	\$40,000.00
			\$83,250.00

Cattle Handling Facilities

<u>Application</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Funds Requested</u>
A2005-0454	Beef Improvement Council, Inc.	Breckinridge	\$120,000.00
A2005-0500	Campbell County Cattle Association	Campbell	\$2,130.00
A2005-0493	Hart County Cattlemen's Association, Inc.	Hart	\$32,297.00
A2005-0481	Owen County Farm Bureau	Owen	\$63,600.00
A2005-0462	SKAD/Pulaski County Cattlemen's Association	Pulaski	\$50,000.00
A2005-0467	Simpson County Conservation District	Simpson	\$65,000.00
			\$333,027.00

Dairy Diversification

<u>Application</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Funds Requested</u>
A2005-0475	Bracken County Ag Advancement Council	Bracken	\$44,625.00
A2005-0488	Carroll County	Carroll	\$5,150.00
			\$49,775.00

Farm Livestock Fencing Improvement

<u>Application</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Funds Requested</u>
A2005-0492	Harrison County Beef Cattle Association	Harrison	\$200,000.00
A2005-0494	Hart County Goat Association, Inc.	Hart	\$32,297.00
A2005-0486	Oldham County Farm Bureau Federation	Oldham	\$11,000.00
A2005-0482	Owen County Farm Bureau	Owen	\$159,000.00
			\$402,297.00

Model Programs Recommended for Approval

Forage Improvement & Utilization

<u>Application</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Funds Requested</u>
A2005-0499	Campbell County Conservation District	Campbell	\$9,253.00
A2005-0459	Franklin County Conservation District	Franklin	\$86,752.00
A2005-0489	Green Co. Cattlemen's Association	Green	\$315,000.00
A2005-0495	Hart County Conservation District	Hart	\$70,000.00
A2005-0483	Oldham County Farm Bureau Federation	Oldham	\$11,000.00
A2005-0480	Owen County Farm Bureau	Owen	\$53,000.00
			\$545,005.00

Goat Diversification

<u>Application</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Funds Requested</u>
A2005-0455	Breckinridge County Diversification Council Inc.	Breckinridge	\$25,000.00
A2005-0508	Central Kentucky Meat Goat Producers Association, Inc.	Casey	\$50,000.00
A2005-0476	Owen County Farm Bureau	Owen	\$10,600.00
A2005-0463	SKAD/Pulaski County Meat Goat Producers	Pulaski	\$22,000.00
A2005-0497	Rowan County Fiscal Court	Rowan	\$5,000.00
			\$112,600.00

Hay, Straw, & Commodity Storage

<u>Application</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Funds Requested</u>
A2005-0471	Bath County Conservation District	Bath	\$104,000.00
A2005-0498	Campbell County Farm Bureau	Campbell	\$15,750.00
A2005-0485	Oldham County Farm Bureau Federation	Oldham	\$17,000.00
A2005-0479	Owen County Farm Bureau	Owen	\$53,000.00
A2005-0487	Trigg County Cattlemen's Association	Trigg	\$84,389.00
			\$274,139.00

On-farm Water Enhancement

<u>Application</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Funds Requested</u>
A2005-0409	Fayette County Conservation District	Fayette	\$85,600.00
			\$85,600.00

Shared-use Equipment

<u>Application</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Funds Requested</u>
A2005-0472	Bath County Conservation District	Bath	\$22,000.00
A2005-0496	Hart County Goat Producers Association, Inc.	Hart	\$1,021.16
			\$23,021.16

Swine Diversification

<u>Application</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Funds Requested</u>
A2005-0474	Bracken County Ag Advancement Council	Bracken	\$10,500.00
			\$10,500.00

Model Programs Recommended for Approval

Technology

<u>Application</u>	<u>Program Administrator</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Funds Requested</u>
A2005-0388	Logan County Conservation District	Logan	\$15,000.00
			\$15,000.00

Total County Funds Recommended for Approval in Model Programs: **\$2,144,864.16**

New Applications for Referral

<i>Appl #</i>	<i>Project Name</i>	<i>Project Type</i>
A2005-0470	Johnson County Agricultural Advancement Council	Project
A2005-0471	Bath County Conservation District	Hay, Straw, & Commodity Storage
A2005-0472	Bath County Conservation District	Shared-use Equipment
A2005-0473	Wolfe County Conservation District	Agricultural Diversification
A2005-0474	Bracken County Ag Advancement Council	Swine Diversification
A2005-0475	Bracken County Ag Advancement Council	Dairy Diversification
A2005-0476	Owen County Farm Bureau	Goat Diversification
A2005-0477	Owen County Farm Bureau	Cattle Genetics Improvement
A2005-0478	Owen County Farm Bureau	Agricultural Diversification
A2005-0479	Owen County Farm Bureau	Hay, Straw, & Commodity Storage
A2005-0480	Owen County Farm Bureau	Forage Improvement & Utilization
A2005-0481	Owen County Farm Bureau	Cattle Handling Facilities
A2005-0482	Owen County Farm Bureau	Farm Livestock Fencing Improvement
A2005-0483	Oldham County Farm Bureau Federation	Forage Improvement & Utilization
A2005-0484	Oldham County Farm Bureau Federation	Agricultural Diversification
A2005-0485	Oldham County Farm Bureau Federation	Hay, Straw, & Commodity Storage
A2005-0486	Oldham County Farm Bureau Federation	Farm Livestock Fencing Improvement
A2005-0487	Trigg County Cattlemen's Association	Hay, Straw, & Commodity Storage
A2005-0488	Carroll County	Dairy Diversification
A2005-0489	Green Co. Cattlemen's Association	Forage Improvement & Utilization
A2005-0490	SKAD/Pulaski Co. Horticulture Association, Inc.	Agricultural Diversification
A2005-0491	Whitley County Small Farms Project, Inc	Project

New Applications for Referral

<i>Appl #</i>	<i>Project Name</i>	<i>Project Type</i>
A2005-0492	Harrison County Beef Cattle Association	Farm Livestock Fencing Improvement
A2005-0493	Hart County Cattlemen's Association, Inc.	Cattle Handling Facilities
A2005-0494	Hart County Goat Associaton, Inc.	Farm Livestock Fencing Improvement
A2005-0495	Hart County Conservation District	Forage Improvement & Utilization
A2005-0496	Hart County Goat Producers Association, Inc.	Shared-use Equipment
A2005-0497	Rowan County Fiscal Court	Goat Diversification
A2005-0498	Campbell County Farm Bureau	Hay, Straw, & Commodity Storage
A2005-0499	Campbell County Conservation District	Forage Improvement & Utilization
A2005-0500	Campbell County Cattle Association	Cattle Handling Facilities
A2005-0501	Campbell County Cattle Association	Cattle Genetics Improvement
A2005-0502	Campbell County Farm Bureau	Agricultural Diversification
A2005-0503	Daviess County Conservation District	Dairy Diversification
A2005-0504	Hancock County Conservation District	Technology
A2005-0505	Caldwell-Lyon Cattlemen's Association, Inc	Cattle Genetics Improvement
A2005-0506	Lyon County Farm Bureau, Inc.	Agricultural Diversification
A2005-0507	Lyon County Farm Bureau, Inc.	Technology
A2005-0508	Central Kentucky Meat Goat Producers Association, Inc.	Goat Diversification